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Inspection service at Naples and Palermo, week ended April 4, 1903.

NAPLES.

Date.	Name of vessel.	Destination.	Steerage passengers inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.	Number of steerage passengers recommended for rejection.
Mar. 30	Marco Minghetti.....	New York.....	804	906	18
30	Buenos Aires.....do.....	831	1,405	39
30	Moltke.....do.....	791	1,209	29
31	Palatia.....do.....	1,457	1,722	28
31	Napolitan Prince.....do.....	764	1,115	35
Apr. 1	Gallia.....do.....	1,150	1,214	22
1	Vancouver.....	Boston.....	710	913	23
1	Citta di Milano.....	New York.....	1,186	963	54
3	Lahn.....do.....	447	663	14

PALERMO.

Apr. 1	Napolitan Prince.....	New York.....	333	380	18
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JAPAN.

Report from Yokohama—Smallpox on steamship Gaelic among Korean emigrants bound for Hawaii.

Assistant Surgeon Moore reports, March 27, as follows: During the week ended March 21, 1903, there were inspected 2 vessels, having an aggregate personnel of 186 crew and 357 passengers; 132 steerage passengers were bathed, and 344 pieces of baggage disinfected.

The local quarantine officers removed a case of smallpox (mild varioloid) from the steamship *Gaelic*, sailing from Hongkong to San Francisco via ports. The vessel was disinfected at the Nogahama quarantine station.

The case occurred in the person of a Korean child, one of a band of Korean steerage passengers taken on at Nagasaki and bound for the Hawaiian Islands. Judging from such reports as reach me, as well as the large proportion of disfigured faces observed during inspection of Korean emigrants, smallpox must be a very common malady in Korea, in marked contrast to Japan, where, at present, thanks to an efficient system of vaccination, the disease is rare.

The official report of infectious diseases in Yokohama for the above period shows: Enteric fever, 1 case, 0 deaths; diphtheria, 4 cases, 3 deaths; dysentery, 2 cases, 0 deaths.

Suspected evasion of United States immigration laws by emigrants affected with trachoma.

Assistant Surgeon Moore reports, April 2, as follows: During the week ended March 28, 1903, four vessels, having an aggregate personnel of 562 crew and 971 passengers, were inspected; 506 steerage passengers were bathed, and 775 pieces of baggage were disinfected.

During the above period there were officially reported in the city of Yokohama cases of infectious diseases as follows: Enteric fever, 1 case, no deaths; diphtheria, 2 cases, no deaths.